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WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 12, 1908.

Changed His Taste.
 The Emperor Eugenie, whom Napoleon III. chose to share his throne, had a ready wit, which, although it never veiled a sneer, often confused those on whom it was directed. The late Dr. T. W. Evans tells in his reminiscences the story of a distinguished senator, who, on being asked what he thought of the speech in which Napoleon had declared his marriage intention to the deputies, replied:

"A fine speech, excellent! But I prefer the sauce to the fish," meaning that Napoleon's words were better than his choosing of a bride.

Some weeks later, at a dinner given at the Tuilleries, the senator was seated next to the emperor, who, observing that after having been helped to the turbot he declined the sauce, said to him, smiling roguishly:

"Monsieur, I thought it was the sauce you liked and not the fish."

With rare presence of mind the senator hesitated but a moment.

"A mistake, madam," he said, "for which I am now trying to make amends."

The Corner Days.

Some aged country folk like to take note of what they call the corner days—the 20th of March and the 20th of September—when the sun crosses the line and the days and nights are of equal length and the 20th of June (the longest day of the year) and the 20th of December (the shortest). After the 20th of June they say, "When the days grow shorter the weather grows hotter," and after Dec. 20, "As the days begin to lengthen the cold begins to strengthen."

Levi Beebe, a noted old weather prophet, who used to watch the weather from his eyrie on Beartown mountain, southern Berkshire, Mass., made prophecies which were greatly prized. He made his prognostications from a study of the winds, the clear, cloudy and stormy days for ten days each side of the corner days and multiplied them by 3 to tell the weather for each succeeding quarter, and he made some marvelous guesses.—New York Press.

Time and the Man.

Some one may suggest that if Cromwell and Napoleon Bonaparte and Bismarck and George Washington and Abraham Lincoln had not appeared to do the work they did others would have arisen equally capable of doing it. To this suggestion there are two answers. One is that it is pure conjecture. The other answer is that history shows us many occasions when the great man was needed, and when need of him was acute, felt, and yet when he did not appear. The greatness of some men is largely due to favoring conditions. Other men, perhaps more brilliant, achieve less than their powers seemed to promise because they were not quite in key with their own age. Perhaps they were ahead of it.—James Bryce in Pall Mall Gazette.

Great Events From Little Causes.

While staying at the court of Frederick II. of Prussia Voltaire presented Mme. de Pompadour's compliments to the king, who scornfully replied, "Je ne la connais pas." Out of vengeance for so much insult, as she deemed it, Madame induced the weak-minded Louis XV. to convert his country's long-standing hostility against Austria into friendship. A Franco-Austrian army then took the field against Prussia, and as it was an easy matter for Madame to enlist the practical sympathy of Elizabeth of Russia, who had been the subject of Frederick's indiscreet remarks also, half a million lives were lost.—London Notes and Queries.

He Came Back at Her.

"Many mendicants," said a New York charity official, "are humbugs, and we do well to refuse their requests for help. What excellent dogs, though, they sometimes give us in return. I remember the case of a farmer's wife who refused a tramp a night's lodging. 'Well, then, ma'am,' said the tramp, 'would you mind if I slept in that big meadow there behind your barn?' 'No,' said the woman, 'you may sleep there if you like.' 'One thing more, ma'am,' said the tramp, 'before I say good night. Will you please have me called at 4 o'clock sharp? I want to catch the cattle train to market.'"

Italian Diet.

The low resisting power of the Italian, even among the more favored classes, to the assaults of disease has long been ascribed to the profession of the well high farinaceous and leguminous fare on which he subsists—the call on the heart in the later stages of pneumonia, for example, too often finding inadequate response from the diet of the muscle-forming constituents in the diet of the patient.—London Lancet.

Geography.

"I'd like to see that young Japanese prince."

"A Japanese prince? Where is he?"

"Oh, he's traveling incognito."

"Is he? I'm so dreadfully weak about geographical names. That's in Manchuria, isn't it?"—Chums.

Physical Geography.

The following answer was recently given in a geography examination in reply to the question, "From what direction do most of our rains come?"

Most of our rains come straight down, but some of them come sideways.

A Safety Match.

"Papa, what is a safety match?"

Mr. Henpecked (looking carefully at her) said to his wife in when hearing:—A safety match, son, is when a bald-headed man marries an armless woman!

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite.

"We prefer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to any other for our children," says Mr. L. J. Woodbury of Twining, Mich. "It has also done the work for us in hard colds and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by W. F. Creighton and Richard Gibson.

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The Spanish Royal Standard.

The Spanish royal standard is most complicated. The red and yellow of the Spanish flag is said to be derived from this occurrence: In 1373 Charles the Bold dipped his fingers in the blood of Geoffrey, count of Barcelona, and drew them down the count's golden shield in token of his appreciation of the latter's bravery. The shield, so marked, became the arms of Barcelona, which became part of Aragon, and its arms were taken by that kingdom. Now to the royal standard: The first quarter or upper left hand part of the flag are the arms of Leon and Castile, the lion and the castle. The second quarter is taken up one-half by the arms of Aragon, one-half by the arms of Sicily. The upper third of the third quarter—directly under the first—shows the Austrian colors. The lower two-thirds is divided between the flag of Burgundy and the black lion of Flanders. The upper third of the fourth quarter shows the checkers, another Burgundian device, while the lower two-thirds is shared by the red eagle of Antwerp and the golden lion of Brabant, and on the top of all this are two shields, one showing the Portuguese arms, the other the French fleur-de-lis. Considerable of a flag that.

Good Cause For Tears.

A certain medieval sultan had all the mirrors removed from his palace, so that he might avoid the pain of seeing his own face. This sultan called on his grand vizier one day and by accident happened to catch sight of his reflection. His hideousness overpowered him, and he broke into violent sobbing. In this outburst the vizier joined. Finally the sultan calmed down, wiped his eyes and got ready to smoke and talk. But not so the vizier. He sobbed on and on. His master, tapping his slipper impatiently on the cushions, waited for him to cease. At length the sultan got angry and exclaimed: "Why do you weep longer than I, vizier?"

A Dubious Compliment.

"It looks well, but I am afraid it is dubious," said a financier, speaking of a proposed scheme. "Yes, it is dubious. It reminds me of the Turkish pasha and his wife."

"A Turkish pasha lay dying. He summoned to him the youngest and fairest of his forty-six wives and said to her in a low, weak voice:

"Put on your richest costume, your most brilliant jewels. Deck your hair with pearls and brighten your finger tips with henna."

"The young wife blushed. Even in her grief she was flattered. 'You desire me to make this sumptuous toilet?'

"So that death when it comes," the man replied, "seeing you so beautiful, may perhaps carry you off instead of me."

Motion of the Sun.

Owing to the revolution of the earth the sun seems to make its daily circuit around us, which of course is not the case. But the sun is revolving about its center quite as truly as the earth is. It was one of the conceptions of that most remarkable man, Sir John Herschel, that the whole solar system had a motion in space and was advancing toward a point in the heavens near the star Hercules. Sir John's conception as to the cause of this motion was based on an idea as ever entered the human mind—now generally accepted by astronomers, and the opinion is quite universal among them that the entire system is tracing out a curvilinear path in space, a course around some mighty center, probably at Hercules.

Good Enough to Charge For.

When William H. Scott was managing clerk in the early sixties for the firm of Cleveland & Titus, a client came in and wanted an opinion right away. No member of the firm was in. Accordingly, Mr. Scott, with some hesitation, wrote the opinion. When his principal, Mr. Cleveland, came in, he explained the circumstances and showed him the opinion. Mr. Cleveland looked at him with a smile and then read it with care. "Humph," said he; "pretty poor opinion, but it will do to charge."—New York Times.

A Caustic Reply.

A gentleman once said to a barrister, "That was a very good sermon of your father's today." To which he replied: "Yes. He must have cribbed it from some one." But the father overheard this remark and reminded him that the Bible says, "The ox knoweth his owner and the ass his master's crib." This caustic reply silenced the barrister.—London Telegraph.

The Rapid Rise of Clive.

The evidences of Clive's genius, said Lord Curzon, were incontestable. In nine years he had risen from being a poor and unknown clerk to be one of the most famous captains of his own or any other age.

His Early Struggles.

"Tell me about your early struggles, grandpa."

"Oh, I never had no early struggles, Johnny. I a-lus took things just as they come."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Reasonably Sure.

She—Lola writes for the magazines. He—She'll get 'em if she sends the price.—Judge.

He scolds best that can hurt the least.—Danish Proverb.

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FINANCIAL.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the JULIUS LANSBROUGH FURNITURE & CARPET CO. of Washington, D. C., will be held at Hotel Fleischmann, Alexandria, Va., on February 19th, 1908, at 8 o'clock. By IRVIN H. HOLLANDER, Secretary & Treasurer. Jan24,31 feb7

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the WINDLEY LAMBERT HOUSE COMPANY, will be held at No. 15 South Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY AFTERNOON, February 24th, 1908, at 2:30 o'clock. W. W. WALKER, Secretary. feb1 d

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 8:22 A. M.—Daily—Local for Harrisonburg, Warrenton, Danville and day stations.
 9:17 A. M.—Daily—11:15 P. M. Daily. Stops only for passengers for Charlottesville and points south at which scheduled to stop. First class coaches and drawing-room sleepers for Columbia, Mason and New Orleans. Dining car service.

4:27 P. M. Daily—Washington and Florida limited. Sleeping cars between New York, Augusta and Jacksonville. Through day coaches between Washington and Jacksonville. Dining car service between Washington and Jacksonville. Tourist to Columbia tri-weekly.

4:32 P. M.—Week Days—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations on Massanutts branch.

5:12 P. M.—Daily—Local for Warrenton and Charlottesville.

10:37 P. M.—No. 33—Daily—New York and Augusta Express. Through coaches and sleepers to Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta. Sleeper to Aiken. Dining car service a la carte reservation, etc.

10:32 P. M.—Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg). First class coach and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga and Memphis. Sleeper to Birmingham and New Orleans. Washington to Roanoke. Dining car service.

11:17 P. M.—Daily—New York and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train, club and observation cars to New Orleans. Sleeper to Asheville, Atlanta, Birmingham and New Orleans. Dining car service.

Through trains from the South arrive at Alexandria 7:15, 8:25 and 9:45 A. M., and 3:15, 9:15, 9:45 and 11:15 P. M. daily. Harrisonburg 12:05 P. M. week days and 9:15 P. M. daily. From Charlottesville 7:55 A. M.

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For detailed schedule figures, tickets, Pullman reservation, etc., apply to WILLIAM G. LEHMAN, Union Ticket Agent, Alexandria, Va.

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Sundays—7:00, 8:30, 9:15, 9:30, 9:50, 10:30, 10:45, 11:15 and 11:45 a. m., 12:15, 12:40, 1:05, 1:30, 1:40, 2:00, 2:20, 2:40, 3:00, 3:20, 3:40, 4:00, 4:20, 4:40, 5:00, 5:20, 5:40, 6:00, 6:20, 6:40, 7:00, 7:20, 7:40, 8:00, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30 and 11:10 p. m.

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Sundays—7:00, 9:30, 10:41, 11:40 a. m., 12:40, 1:40, 2:40, 3:40, 4:47, 7:05, 8:45 and 10:15 p. m.

Washington Southern Ry.

Schedule in effect January 6, 1908. Trains leave Union Station for Washington and points north at 8:02 and 9:08 a. m., 12:01, 12:04, 8:07, 9:23, and 11:38 p. m., week days. Sundays—9:08 a. m., 12:01, 8:52, 9:23 and 11:33 p. m.

For Fredericksburg, Richmond and points south at 4:22, 4:37, 8:33 and 11:22 a. m., 4:22, 5:08 (local), and 9:47 p. m., week days. Sundays—4:37, 8:45, and 11:22 a. m., 4:05, 5:14 (local), and 9:47 p. m.

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